

REMARKS

Applicant expresses appreciation to the Examiner for consideration of the subject patent application. In response to the restriction requirement of April 29, 2004, the Applicant provisionally elects, with traverse, the group of I. The claims readable thereon being claims 1-7 & 23-29.

The Applicant respectfully traverses the restriction requirement for the following reasons. Examination of at least the method claims 8-22 in the same application would not pose a serious burden under M.P.E.P. § 805.05(e) because there is commonality of dominant elements.

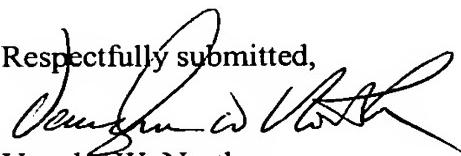
CONCLUSION

In light of the above, Applicant respectfully submits that pending claims 1-7 & 23-29 are now in condition for allowance. Therefore, Applicant requests that the rejections and objections be withdrawn, and that the claims be allowed and passed to issue. If any impediment to the allowance of these claims remains after entry of this Amendment, the Examiner is strongly encouraged to call Vaughn W. North at (801) 566-6633 so that such matters may be resolved as expeditiously as possible.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fee or to credit any overpayment in connection with this Amendment to Deposit Account No. 08-2025.

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